

## CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY MEDIA ADVISORY

## Department of Toxic Substances Control

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## **DTSC Issues a Warning to EPA ID Number Holders**

Los Angeles --- The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is issuing a warning to all Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) identification (ID) number holders. DTSC has become aware that a person who falsely claims to be a state employee is fraudulently collecting a fee for EPA ID numbers. This person is NOT a representative of the DTSC or any other state or federal agency. There is no charge for applying for an EPA ID number. If you have been approached by this person, please contact your local police department. For more information on EPA ID numbers, please see the first five bullets under Frequently Requested Information on the DTSC website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.